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FM AMEMBASSY MONTEVIDEO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7973

INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SHUM, PINT, PINS, UY

SUBJ: RELEASE AND EXILE OF FIRST

SECRETARY OF THE

COMMUNIST PARTY

1. JAN 7 EL PAIS QUOTES A TASS REPORT SAYING THAT RODNEY ARISMENDI, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE URUGUAYAN COMMUNIST PARTY, LEFT URUGUAY JAN 4 EN ROUTE TO EXILE IN MOSCOW. ARISMENDI HAD BEEN UNDER DETENTION SINCE HIS ARREST ON MAY 10, 1974 FOR CARRYING FALSE DOCUMENTS.

2. ACCORDING TO EL PAIS, THE MILITARY COURTS REFUSED TO PROSECUTE ARISMENDI ON THE ORIGINAL CHARGE, BUT HIS DETENTION WAS CONTINUED UNDER EMERGENCY SECURITY MEASURES. EL PAIS ADDS THAT ARISMENDI MADE USE OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION WHICH ALLOWS ONE WHO IS DETAINED UNDER THESE EMERGENCY MEASURES THE OPTION OF LEAVING THE COUNTRY, AND THAT HE OBTAINED THE INTERIOR MINISTER'S PERMISSION TO DEPART URUGUAY.

3. EL PAIS SAYS THAT IT WAS ASSURED BY "WELL-INFORMED CIRCLES" THAT ARISMENDI INTENDS TO SETTLE PERMANENTLY IN MOSCOW AND WILL NOT INTERFERE IN URUGUAYAN POLITICS AGAIN.

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4. EMBASSY IS TRYING TO DETERMINE WHY ARISMENDI WAS

RELEASED AT THIS TIME AND IF THERE WAS A QUID PRO QUO WITH MOSCOW.  
JAIME PEREZ, SECOND SECRETARY OF THE CPU, AND JORGE  
MASSAROVICH, HEAD OF THE YOUNG COMMUNISTS, REMAIN IN CUSTODY.

5. GDS.  
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